

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians  
Natural Resource Commission  
Regular Meeting ESCANABA, MI  
April 21, 2018**

(meeting rescheduled from April 14, 2018 – weather related)

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman

Roll Call: Vice-Chairman, Renee Dillard; Treasurer, Frederick Holdorph; Commissioner, Gerald V. Chingwa; and Commissioner, William R. Ortiz.

Absent: Chairman, John Keshick III

NRD Staff: Director, Douglas Craven; Conservation Officer, Matthew Robertson; Great Lakes Fisheries Biologist, Kevin Donner; Inland Wildlife Biologist, Archie Kiogima Jr.; Great Lakes Grant Specialist Environmental Services, Caroline Moellering; and Administrative Assistant, Debra Smithkey-Browne;

Absent: None

Guest: See Sign In Sheet Attached

Open Ceremony – Renee Dillard

Public Comment Opened at 10:08 a.m.

Public Comment Closed at 10:20 a.m.

NRC reviewed the Agenda

**Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the agenda as presented; William Ortiz, Commissioner; supports.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

NRC reviewed the minutes of March 28, 2018.

**Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the minutes of March 28, 2018 as presented; Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner; supports.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

NRC reviewed the phone polls

**Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to enter into the record: Phone Poll dated April 18, 2018 for commissioner attendance to the Great Lakes Fish Committee (GLFC) and receive lodging, per diem, mileage and stipend; William Ortiz, Commissioner; supports.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

**Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to enter into the record: Phone Poll dated April 13, 2018 cancel the April 14, 2018 meeting in Escanaba, MI and reschedule for April 21, 2018; Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; supports.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

**Natural Resource Department Director's Report – Douglas Craven, Director**

**Motion made by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer; to approve the Natural Resource Directors Verbal Report as presented by Douglas Craven, Director; supported by William Ortiz, Commissioner.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

10:33 a.m. Caroline Moellering arrived.

**Natural Resource Environmental Services Report – Caroline Moellering, Great Lakes Policy Specialist**

**Motion made by; Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Environmental Services Written and Verbal Report as presented by Caroline Moellering, Great Lakes Specialist Environmental Services; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

**Inland Fish and Wildlife Managers Report – Archie Kiogima, Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist**

**Motion made by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner; to approve the Natural Resource Inland Fish and Wildlife Written and Verbal Report as presented by Archie Kiogima, Inland Fish and Wildlife Biologist; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

**Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Report – Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer**

**Motion made by William Ortiz, Commissioner; to approve the Natural Resource Conservation Law Enforcement Written and Verbal Report as presented by Kevin Willis, Chief Conservation Officer; supported by Frederick Holdorph, Treasurer.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

**Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Report – Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fish Biologist –**

**Motion made by Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman; to approve the Natural Resource Great Lakes Fishery Written and Verbal Report as presented by Kevin Donner, Great Lakes Fishery Biologist; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

Lunch Break at 12:15 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 12:48 p.m.

### **Commissioner's Report – Commissioners NO REPORT**

Discussion was held on the following topics:

- FLOW (For Love of Water) report;
- CORA Bag Limit Concerns;
- Enbridge consultation meeting May 15, 2018 at BMIC;
- CORA Executive Meeting May 24, 2018;
- Black Lake Sturgeon spearing in the system;
- 2020 discussion;

Power Point presentation by Kevin Donner.

Discussion was held on Subsistence Fishing and GLCD, especially LTBB because of our boat study showing when there is the most boat traffic.

Meeting participants asked if possible for NRD to develop a fb page.

2017 Harvest Report Written visual report from the Surveys will be posted on the LTBB NRD website.

St. Martin's Island update:

- LTBB owns the Buildings and there is a lighthouse that is still maintained by the USCG.
- LTBB will be seeking a grant (or partners) to repair the failing buildings.

Public Comment opened at 3:00 p.m. William Ortiz spoke to the LTBB members that were present at the meeting and told them if they have any concerns of items that need to be brought to the NRC let him know; thanked staff for issuing licenses and permits on site;

Public Comment closed at 3:01 p.m.

**Motion made by Frederick Holdorph; to adjourn the meeting at 3:32 p.m.; supported by Gerald Chingwa, Commissioner.**

**4 Yes   0 No   1 Absent (Keshick)   0 Abstained   0 Vacant**

**Motion Carried**

Next scheduled meeting will be held on April 25, 2018

Approved:

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Renee Dillard, Vice-Chairman

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